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One copy of each of the listed documents is submitted herewith, except for the following: U.S. patents and/or U.S. patent publications; and co-pending non-provisional U.S. applications filed after June 30, 2003.

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The present Information Disclosure Statement is being filed thirty days or fewer from the communication from a foreign patent office and a Statement Under 37 C.F.R. §1.704(d) is attached.

Applicant encloses herewith a copy of a recent Office Action from the Japanese Patent Office in a counterpart Japanese Application No. 2002-307395 citing the listed documents.

It is noted that JP 2001-188235, cited in the Office Action of the counterpart Application No. 2002-307395, was previously cited in the Information Disclosure Statement of September 30, 2005, and thus is not being listed on the Form PTO/SB/08 A&B submitted herewith.

In compliance with the concise explanation requirement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(3) for foreign language documents, Applicant submits the following explanations:

- 1. An English language abstract and a machine translation of JP 11-065479 submitted herewith each constitutes a concise statement of relevance of JP 11-065479.
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